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In re Patent Application of

Hideki SUNAGA et al.

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For: BRUSHLESS MOTOR



Group Art Unit: 2834

Examiner: Dang D. Le

RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed November 14, 2002, please amend the above-captioned application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-7 and 13, without prejudice or disclaimer.

REMARKS

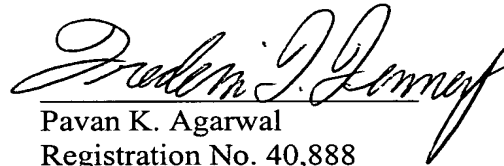
Applicants request favorable reconsideration of this application in view of the foregoing amendments and the following remarks. Claims 1-13 were pending in the application. In the Office Action, the Examiner rejected claims 1-7 and 13 and allowed claims 8-12.

In response to the positive treatment of claims 8-12 and to expedite prosecution, claims 1-7 and 13 have been cancelled, without prejudice or disclaimer. Accordingly, the only remaining pending claims are allowed claims 8-12 and, therefore, a Notice of Allowance should be rendered with respect to these claims. Applicants reserve the right to file one or more continuation applications addressing the subject matter of cancelled claims 1-7 and 13.

CONCLUSION

For the foregoing reasons, claims 8-12 are now in condition for allowance. A Notice of Allowance at an early date is respectfully requested. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned if such communication would expedite the prosecution of the application.

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